

BRYAN A COMPROMISE.

"Coin" Harvey Says the Populists Will Nominate Him for President with a Southern Populist for His Running Mate.



St. Louis, Mo., July 21.
To W. R. Hearst, the Journal, New York:

The People's party convention is composed of two factions. One of these factions is in favor of a straight People's party ticket, with prospective fusion with the Democrats on a joint electoral ticket to be left to the respective States. The other faction is in favor of the nomination of the Chicago ticket.

As the situation stands to-night, the result will be a compromise, with Bryan as the nominee of the convention for President and a Southern Populist as the nominee for Vice-President—probably Minnis, of Tennessee—this to result in a fusion of electors in each State, with no satisfactory plan as yet adopted by which the electors are to settle the election as between Sewall and the Populist candidate for Vice-President.

All hope of nominating or endorsing Sewall is about abandoned. The objection to Sewall is that he is a banker. The Populists are, by principle, opposed to money lenders. They believe that money is the blood of commerce, the organic fluid of civilization, and that the trafficking in this blood of civilization results in its being hoarded, while society suffers for the use of it.

They look at it this way:

That if men, by sanction of law, stored a necessity like wheat away, and wheat were limited in quantity, like money, it would result in people suffering for the want of wheat, and in proportion to the quantity stored for lending purposes, the remainder would rise in exchangeable value with other property.

They take the same position that Christ did on this subject, and for a man to be a money lender forever debars him from indorsement in a Populist convention.

At one time last night it looked as if a separate ticket entirely would be nominated, but this sentiment has been losing ground all day, and to-night it looks like a foregone conclusion that Bryan would be nominated.

Arrivals from all directions, irrespective of parties, indicate that there is a popular uprising demanding the election of Bryan. A committee of Republicans is here from Moline, Ill., that represents a club of 300 Republicans in that little city, organized since Bryan's nomination to secure his election. They report an uprising through that part of their State that is breaking political fences in all directions, and that the stampede is to Bryan.

A. Forsyth, a prominent business man and a Republican from St. Louis, whom I personally know to be reliable, tells me that he has been organizing his county (Arenas) against McKinley, who, in his judgment, will not poll 150 votes in the county, and that the people are flocking to Bryan.

R. B. Taylor, of Mount Pleasant, Mich., a town of 4,000 inhabitants, reports a stampede to Bryan, and that there will not be fifty votes in the town against him.

When you consider that a thousand or more Republicans are here from the State, all working for Bryan, with the city alive with Populists working to the same end, and believing and reporting that the Populists at home will jump the fence and follow Bryan, nomination or no nomination, you can appreciate, now the tide is turned, that it will stop at nothing short of the nomination of Bryan.

The impression created on those who listen is that an indignant people are about to take vengeance on those who have deceived and juggled with them so long. No matter what the effect may be when the money power begins to exert its strength in the campaign, the effect produced here is that it would be disloyal to not support Bryan by the direct voice of the convention.

It is an injustice to the People's Party Convention to say that moneyed influence can control them. They are crusaders, zealous, earnest and vigorous in the work they are doing. Many of them show earnest indignation when speaking of the condition of their people. One of them, talking to me about his people, shed tears in relating an incident that came under his notice.

It was a delegate from Texas, who spoke of a neighbor's daughter, a lovely girl, who had gone to work in the field, picking cotton, for the reason, as she stated it, that "cotton was so low in price that if father had to hire help there would be no money gotten out of the crop to pay for it."

Bridenbath, of Kansas, tells me that oats in his State are 5 cents per bushel, and that debts, ever so small, are confiscating the property of the people. So these delegates, with those dear to them at home suffering from what they believe to be the legislation of the money power, have in them a sentiment, as a rule, that would make it dangerous for an agent of that power to approach them with a corruption fund.

The tidal wave of Mammonism has not yet crossed the Mississippi River, and earnest, old patriots, like the frontiersmen of the colonies of 1776, have it not in their natures to worship money as their god. They think there is a principle in life higher than money. They will stand reviling and any amount of denunciation, and it will not change their minds on fixed opinions as to the cause of their sufferings. They have one eye on Wall Street and the other on John Bull.

W. H. HARVEY,
Author of "Coin's Financial School."

POPULISTS WILL NOT YIELD.

Marion Butler's Victory Means No Surrender to the Democrats.

St. Louis, July 21.

To W. R. Hearst, the Journal, New York:
I think the victory achieved by the election of Marion Butler as temporary chairman of the convention, and the resolutions passed by the Reform Press Association plainly indicate that the People's party organization will not be surrendered to the Democrats; and that the Populists are willing to combine with the Democrats on one set of electors, or otherwise throw the responsibility of a division of the elements opposed to the gold standard in the coming campaign upon the Democrats.

It all plainly indicates that the People's party will not surrender its organization or principles to any other party.

HERMAN TAUBENECK,
Chairman People's Party National Committee.

BRYAN'S STRONG TALK IN OMAHA.

Nebraska's Metropolis Receives Him with the Utmost Enthusiasm.

Many Bands, Calcium Lights, Flags and Bunting Make the Night a Memorable One.

Candidate's Speech Heard by a Tremendous Crowd, Which Completely Fills the Streets.

A REPUBLICAN MAYOR PRESIDES.

Mr. Bryan Says He Has Demonstrated That Age is Not a Necessity for Politics in the United States, Which Provokes Loud Cheers.

Omaha, Neb., July 21.—William Jennings Bryan came here from Lincoln to-night, and all the town turned out to greet him. The open space around the depot was thronged with men and women, the streets through which he would have to pass were lined with crowds, dozens of bands, tin horns without end, calcium lights, flags and bunting all helped to make this a gala night in Omaha. A carriage stood in waiting outside the depot, but the police had to clear a passage for Mr. Bryan. As soon as he appeared a yell went up, spread through the crowd, reached the ears of those who stood along the distant streets, was taken up and passed along until it seemed as if all Omaha for fifty good-sized blocks in every direction was yelling for Bryan.

With a band marching ahead and a crowd swarming around, the carriage moved toward the center of the town, where a platform had been erected. The space around this platform had long been filled, and it seemed impossible to find standing space for another human being.

The windows and roofs of all the surrounding buildings were filled with men and women. Every available spot was decorated, and every human being seemed to be blowing an enormous tin horn.

Republican Mayor Presides.

W. J. Broatch, Mayor of Omaha, who is a Republican, presided, and made a speech, in which he said:

We are here neither as Republicans nor as Democrats. We have gathered merely to honor one of our fellow citizens of whom we are all very proud. We know Mr. Bryan, know him to be true and honest and true to the principles he advocates, honest in the discharge of his public duties, and fearless in advocating that which he believes to be right. However, a partisan press may attempt to belittle, we who know him know that he will acquit himself with credit to himself and to his State and his country.

Then Mr. Bryan arose and the audience went wild with enthusiasm. It was a tremendous crowd, compact, stretching far out into the shadows at the ends of the streets, and swaying to and fro with every impulse and emotion. To make himself more clearly heard Mr. Bryan climbed upon a table and stood there high above the crowd, like a statue upon a pedestal, and at that moment, to add to the picturesque of the scene, the full moon rose above a cloud and shone full upon him. A hush fell upon the throng and Mr. Bryan stood for one brief instant with his arm outstretched perfectly motionless in the bright light. In that instant a sense of the stateliness of the scene flashed upon the crowd, and a wave of cheers swept through the throng from end to end. When the noise died out and the crowd became quiet—so quiet that one could have heard a whisper a block away—Mr. Bryan spoke as follows:

Begins His Speech.

I need not say to you, my friends, that I am deeply touched by the manifestations of good will which have been exhibited here and elsewhere since the nomination fell to me. I understand that this is not altogether a personal feeling, but it testifies as well to this one great fact that among the American people without regard to party and without regard to creed, there is a love for American institutions and a respect for those who for the time being stand as the representatives of Government. I appreciate the fact that I am a candidate before the American people for the highest honor which it is in the power of man to bestow upon a fellow man. I am oppressed by the sense of responsibility and yet I am supported by the consciousness that if elected I shall have the support of seventy millions of people while I stand as the representative of their institutions.

This is no partisan occasion. The Mayor of your city is a Republican. I see before me Republicans, Democrats, Prohibitionists, as well as Democrats, and I can appeal to you, my friends, without regard to party, to testify that in every contest through which I have passed I have conceded to my opponents the same honesty of purpose that I have demanded you should admit in myself. And so it is in the great and memorable campaign upon which we are entering. If you speak in complimentary terms of myself, I say to you that every good word you can say of me, I can repeat of my opponent, Major McKinley. If you tell me that you believe that I honestly indorse the sentiments written in the platform upon which I stand, I tell you that I know that you, who oppose me, are just as sincerely desirous for good government as I am.

Concerning Campaign Slanders.

The man who charges the American people of any party with being anarchists or disturbers of the peace, or men dangerous to the welfare of the people, slanders the bravest people that ever lived. We are not disturbed by the use of arms, because I know that the great majority of Republicans and Democrats, as well as Democrats, regard the use of abusive terms, as an indication that argument has disappeared.

We shall go out in this campaign vying with each other in the enthusiasm with which we support our respective sides. And this campaign shall be determined by the sober sense of the American people, and the shall register their verdict in favor of that policy which they believe will be best for the country. We know not, my friends, what that policy will be. We have our ideas, we have our desires, and in our earnestness we express ourselves with emphasis. But we all know this, that no matter what may be the result of this campaign, that which is right cannot be defeated. There is nothing omnipotent but truth, and we believe that if we are in error and error we will be defeated, and that truth shall come to us for our enjoyment, even if it comes against our will. We know that if we advocate anything which we believe and submit it to the American people, we must abide by their decision until that decision can be repeated at another ballot box.

Compliment to Nebraska.

I can assure you that no matter what may be the result of this campaign, I shall still stand for what I believe, let come what will of good or ill. There is one sense in which you can rejoice at this nomination, which is not at all connected with myself. Nebraska has been considered a far Western State, way beyond the center of population. It has been a small State, with but little more than a million of people within its borders. There are those who have thought that, while it is always proper to go East to select a candidate, it would be a long time before Nebraska would be proper for a nomination to cross the Missouri River. In the sense that a nomination for this high office is a compliment to the State, you can rejoice, although you may not agree in the political opinions of the man who brings the nomination to you.

I attended the St. Louis Convention, and as a citizen of Nebraska I was proud to see the junior Senator of this State preside as permanent chairman of that convention. And as I stand in the pride which Republicans feel at the nomination of Mr. Bryan, I can understand how Republicans everywhere may feel proud that a young man has been nominated who is a native-born American, and in the exercise of their sovereign right, may cast their votes against him. My friends, for all that you have done and said and felt for me, I beg to thank you and to assure you that whatever may come it shall be a treasure which I shall prize to the end of my life. And it shall be the saddest day of my life if any act or word of mine shall make any person in this vast throng regret a single kindly thought that he has ever felt toward me.

The speech was interrupted throughout by bursts of applause. Strange to say, nothing seemed to delight the crowd so much as Mr. Bryan's reference to his youth. The enthusiastic outburst that followed this remark lasted for fully a minute and made every one laugh. After the meeting Mr. Bryan stood on the platform, and, with the grace of a martyr, suffered his right hand to be mangled.

BRYAN SURE TO BE INDORSED.

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To-day he told one party of Populists that called upon him with a batch of impossible propositions: "While we should be glad to have your assistance and support in this campaign, while it is your duty as free silver advocates to support the Democratic ticket and platform, it really does not matter what your convention does. The rank and file of the Populists throughout the country appreciate the fact that in the election of the Democratic ticket lies their only hope. The masses will not be diverted from the main issue. These will not be led astray by any of your leaders, no matter how strong or powerful these leaders may have been in the past in Populist circles. A realignment is occurring in political parties at present. Now that the Populists have found who their friends really are, the Democrats and not Republicans, they will vote the Democratic ticket."

Point Against a Republican.

Governor Stone, of Missouri, made a point to-day when a Republican called upon him. The Republican glee merry at the expense of the Populist delegates, because of their abundance of gold and their failure to wear the most fashionable clothes. "Pretty good company you're in, Governor," said the Republican, jokingly. "The conservative, the wise, the patriotic Populists," replied Governor Stone, "are in favor of indorsing Bryan and Sewall and the Democratic ticket. The fanatics and visionary shouters are opposed to Bryan and Sewall and want a third ticket. I don't know what you Republicans want. In brief, the situation is that the level-headed Populists who are a credit to their respective communities and good citizens, are friends of the Democrats, while the men you make sport of belong to your crowd."

Governor Holcomb, of Nebraska, as well as a political person as ever came over a Western plume, reached the city this morning and began to organize. At once Bryan's stock went up. Committees were sent out to visit and labor with middle-of-the-road shirkers, which they did with much effect.

Most Indorse Bryan and Sewall.

The "only thing the convention can do," said Governor Holcomb, "is to renounce and indorse the Democratic ticket. It is all nonsense to talk about naming Bryan with another candidate for Vice-President. The convention is friendly to Bryan, and the best way they can show their friendship is to help him. By handicapping him with another Vice-Presidential candidate they will hurt him. Sewall now has a safe though small majority. The temper of the convention will change after Bryan is elected. The delegates will see what is to be done to most of us, now and hereafter. There may be a struggle, but not a heavy one."

Mr. Walsh, Central Committee man from Iowa, who engineered the Botes boom to its disaster, came to show anti-fusionists the error of their ways.

"They can do but one thing," he said, "name Bryan and Sewall. If they don't do this, the Populists of the Western States will lose their place as a separate party. They won't have enough votes left to endorse them to nominate, for all the members of the party will vote for Bryan and Sewall, whether they are nominated or not."

Governor Stone, of Missouri, was reported by Senator Francis M. Cockrell, who came in from his Warrensburg home to-day, Mr. Cockrell is strong with the fusionists. Governor Stone has a heavy corps of strong-lunged Missourians to make the customary lunge. He said this evening: "The Democratic ticket will be indorsed. It may not be on the initial ballot, but it will be done. It is the first chance the Populists have been given to go into a campaign sure to win on their ideas. They won't throw it away."

Mr. Towne on Hand.

With the other interested free silver observers here is Congressman Towne, who delivered the Republican party after the St. Louis Convention last June.

"The silver movement in Minnesota," said he, "is growing by leaps and bounds. Among the Republicans I was amazed at the widespread defection in favor of silver. The Republicans and Populists whom I saw were all enthusiastically for Bryan in the belief that it was only by union of the silver forces that the battle for the restoration of silver could be won in this campaign."

"The Populists, of course, naturally want to maintain their organization, but they believe that it is entirely possible in all local interests and in national sense. When the nomination of Teller was talked of at Chicago, his nomination was earnestly hoped for by the Populists everywhere who took up the idea and indorsed it. They did not think their organization would be endangered."

"Of course, there is some difference between the nomination of an ex-Republican and a Democrat, but a fusion of the silver forces on Teller, it seems to me, would present practically the same situation which to-day confronts the Populists. Their organization would have been as much endangered by Teller's nomination at Chicago and subsequent indorsement here, as Bryan's nomination and indorsement. I am of the opinion that his indorsement will not jeopardize the Populist organization, and is the only logical thing for this convention to do."

Will Be No Walk-Out.

Something of a change came over the spirit of the bolters' dreams to-day. Whatever is done, there will be no walk-out. So much is almost a certainty. The middle of the causeway people are not nearly so hostile in expression as they have been. The defection would be very slight, even if the indorsement were to be Bryan and Sewall within an hour after its gathering at noon to-morrow. They are "up against it" to use a popular phrase, and even a Populist free lance doesn't like to consider his prospects as a "bolter" when there is great chance that Populists will be reorganized when officers are given out next year.

Ex-Governor Buchanan, of Tennessee, has been pushing the claims of A. B. Minnis, of that State, for the Vice-Presidential ticket.

CONFIDENT OF SUCCESS.

Senator Stewart, of Nevada, Sas Bran Men Have Nothing Against Them but Corruption.

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